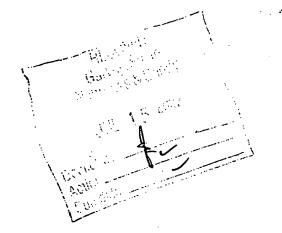


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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

#### Column 9,

Line 2, should read as follows:

### -- 1. A cooking apparatus, comprising:

- a) a burner having a frame that includes a base for engaging an underlying support surface, the frame having a burner element for generating a high intensity flame
  for use in cooking, a supply hose for supplying propane to the burner element, the burner frame having a support surface for cradling a pot;
  - b) a pot that includes a generally flat bottom portion and a generally cylindrically shaped continuous sidewall, the pot having a generally cylindrically shaped interior;
  - c) the frame including a plurality of at least three struts, each strut including a first strut portion, a second strut portion and a third strut portion, the first strut portion of each strut being generally parallel with the bottom portion of the pot, the second strut portion of each strut extending in a generally vertical direction from the first strut portion, the third strut portion extending downwardly from the first strut portion;
  - d) at least a portion of each of the first strut portions extending underneath the bottom portion of the pot when the pot is placed on the frame; and
  - e) the second strut portions restricting a range of lateral pot movement during use of the cooking apparatus such as when a food to be cooked is inserted into or removed from the pot. --

### Column 13,

Line 16, should read as follows:

#### -- 50. A cooking apparatus, comprising:

- a) a frame that includes a base for engaging an underlying support surface, the frame having a burner element for generating a high intensity flame for use in cooking, and a supply hose for supplying fuel to the cooking element;
- b) a pot that includes a generally flat bottom portion and a generally cylindrically shaped continuous sidewall, the pot having a generally cylindrically shaped interior;
- c) the burner frame including a plurality of struts that include first, second strut portions that closely conform respectively to the bottom portion and side wall of the pot, the second strut portion extending horizontally to provide a horizontal surface that can cradle the bottom of the pot and the first strut portion extending upwardly along a generally vertical path;

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### Column 13 cont'd,

- d) wherein the struts form a lateral restraint to the pot for limiting lateral movement of the pot such as when the liner is inserted into or removed from the pot; and
- e) each strut including a leg portion that extends well below the burner element. --

### . Column 14,

Line 9, should read as follows:

- -- 57. A cooking apparatus, comprising:
  - a) a frame having a base for engaging an underlying surface;
- b) a pot supported by the frame during use and having a side wall, a bottom and an open top;
  - c) a burner element for generating a high intensity flame for use in cooking;
  - d) a supply hose for supplying pressurized fuel gas to the burner:
- e) the burner frame including a plurality of struts, each strut including generally vertical and generally horizontal strut portions, each vertical strut portion extending upwardly along a generally vertical path that is generally parallel to the pot side wall and each horizontal strut portion extending horizontally to engage the pot bottom; and
  - f) wherein each strut includes an inclined section. --

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At Column 9, Claim should read as follows:

- -- 1. A cooking apparatus, comprising:
- a) a burner having a frame that includes a base for engaging an underlying support surface, the frame having a burner element for generating a high intensity flame for use in cooking, a supply hose for supplying propane to the burner element, the burner frame having a support surface for cradling a pot;
- b) a pot that includes a generally flat bottom portion and a generally cylindrically shaped continuous sidewall, the pot having a generally cylindrically shaped interior;
- c) the frame including a plurality of at least three struts, each strut including a first strut portion, a second strut portion and a third strut portion, the first strut portion of each strut being generally parallel with the bottom portion of the pot, the second strut portion of each strut extending in a generally vertical direction from the first strut portion, the third strut portion extending downwardly from the first strut portion;
- d) at least a portion of each of the first strut portions extending underneath the bottom portion of the pot when the pot is placed on the frame; and
- e) the second strut portions restricting a range of lateral pot movement during use of the cooking apparatus such as when a food to be cooked is inserted into or removed from the pot.--

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At Column 13, Claim 50 should read as follows:

Line 14

-- 50. A cooking apparatus, comprising:

- a) a frame that includes a base for engaging an underlying support surface, the frame having a burner element for generating a high intensity flame for use in cooking, and a supply hose for supplying fuel to the cooking element;
- b) a pot that includes a generally flat bottom portion and a generally cylindrically shaped continuous sidewall, the pot having a generally cylindrically shaped interior;
- c) the burner frame including a plurality of struts that include first, second strut portions that closely conform respectively to the bottom portion and side wall of the pot, the second strut portion extending horizontally to provide a horizontal surface that can cradle the bottom of the pot and the first strut portion extending upwardly along a generally vertical path;
- d) wherein the struts form a lateral restraint to the pot for limiting lateral movement of the pot such as when the liner is inserted into or removed from the pot; and
  - e) each strut including a leg portion that extends well below the burner element.--

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At Column 14, Claim 57 should read as follows:

-- 57. A cooking apparatus, comprising:

a) a frame having a base for engaging an underlying support surface;

b) a pot supported by the frame during use and having a side wall, a bottom and an open top;

- c) a burner element for generating a high intensity flame for use in cooking;
- d) a supply hose for supplying pressurized fuel gas to the burner;
- e) the burner frame including a plurality of struts, each strut including generally vertical and generally horizontal strut portions, each vertical strut portion extending upwardly along a generally vertical path that is generally parallel to the pot side wall and each horizontal strut portion extending horizontally to engage the pot bottom; and
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